

above father of Elijah, and if this is true, Martha (Runnels) Clark, widow of our Elijah, in removing from Hollis, N. H., to Methuen, Mass., after her husband's death was taking up her residence in the home town of his uncles and aunts. This bit of circumstantial evidence was weakened by the discovery that her daughter Hannah Clark married Jonathan Currier of Methuen,—so that it is probable that she went to live with her daughter,—but it is a coincidence that Hannah should have married a Methuen man.

The second fact which connects the Sutton family with Essex County, Mass., is that Marcy Towne of Sutton who married Samuel Clark of Chester, N. H., was born Sept. 10, 1731, daughter of John Towne of Topsfield, Essex Co., Mass., and it is at Topsfield that we find our only other Elijah Clarks (referred to above). Exhaustive research in New Hampshire seems to be the sole remaining possibility of carrying this Clark line further back.

Elijah Clark (No. 28) was married April 9, 1778, in Hollis, N. H., to Martha Runnels, and their children were born there. In the Revolutionary war he was attached to the eighth company of the second New Hampshire Continental Regiment,—Col. George Reid. He died in Hollis.

(The above Samuel Clark of Methuen who married Abigail Guttererson was born July 10, 1697, and was son of Hanniel Clark of Haverhill who died in 1718 and who married Mary Guttererson Aug. 20, 1676. Hanniel was son of Edward Clark who was born about 1622 and whose wife, Dorcas Boswith, died Feb. 18, 1681.)